

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A stud positioning device for determining the relative positioning of a plurality of wall studs, said device comprising:
  - an elongated bar having a first end, a second end, a front side, a back side, a top side and a bottom side;
  - a plurality of legs being attached to and extending downwardly from said bottom side, each of said legs being spaced from each other, each of said legs including a positioning plate, each of said positioning plates having opposite surfaces lying in planes orientated perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of said bar;
  - a plurality of positioning indicia being positioned on said front side, each of said positioning indicia having an edge aligned with one of said positioning plates, each of said indicia of said positioning indicia being spaced 16 inches from each other; andwherein each of the studs may be positioned against one of the positioning plates and aligned with one of said positioning indicia such that the studs are positioned 16 inches from each other.
2. The device according to claim 1, wherein said bar has a length being at least equal to 48 inches.
3. The device according to claim 1, wherein each of said legs includes a support plate, said positioning and support plates being attached along an edge such that said positioning and support plates form a generally perpendicular angle.

4. The device according to claim 3, wherein each of said support plates has opposite surfaces lying in planes orientated generally parallel to said longitudinal axis.

5. The device according to claim 4, wherein each of said support plates is positioned generally adjacent to said back side.

6. The device according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of legs includes four legs.

7. The device according to claim 1, further including a handle being attached to said top side of said bar.

8. The device according to claim 7, wherein said handle is generally centrally positioned with respect to said first and second ends.

9. The device according to claim 3, further including a handle being attached to said top side of said bar.

10. The device according to claim 9, wherein said handle is generally centrally positioned with respect to said first and second ends.

11. A stud positioning device for determining the relative positioning of a plurality of wall studs, said device comprising:  
an elongated bar having a first end, a second end, a front side, a back side, a top side and a bottom side, said bar having a length being at least equal to 48 inches;  
a plurality of legs being attached to and extending downwardly from said bottom side, each of said legs being spaced from each

other, each of said legs including a positioning plate and a support plate, said positioning and support plates being attached along an edge such that said positioning and support plates form a generally perpendicular angle, each of said positioning plates having opposite surfaces lying in planes orientated perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of said bar, each of said support plates having opposite surfaces lying in planes orientated generally parallel to said longitudinal axis, each of said support plates being positioned generally adjacent to said back side, said plurality of legs being four legs;

a plurality of positioning indicia being positioned on said front side, each of said positioning indicia having an edge aligned with one of said positioning plates, each of said indicia of said positioning indicia being spaced 16 inches from each other;

a handle being attached to said top side of said bar, said handle being generally centrally positioned with respect to said first and second ends; and

wherein each of the studs may be positioned against one of the positioning plates and aligned with one of said positioning indicia such that the studs are positioned 16 inches from each other.